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SUBJECT: ESCAPE CLAUSE CASE ON TV RECEIVERS

REF: (A) STATE 56355, (B) STATE 51289 (C) STATE 62736

1. FOLLOWING IS THE INFORMATION REQUESTED REFTEL:

(A) THE ONLY NON-TARIFF RESTRAINT THE CURRENT DUTY RATE IS 45 PERCENT ON TV IMPORTS IMPOSED BY THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA IS AN ADMINISTRATIVE BAN (IE IMPORTS ARE TECHNICALLY PERMITTED, BUT IMPORT LICENSES ARE NOT GRANTED) ON THE IMPORTATION OF TV SETS FROM JAPAN WHICH HAS BEEN IN EFFECT SINCE 1973. THERE ARE NO LIMITATION ON THE IMPORTS OF TV LOCAL MANUFACTURERS, WHICH INCLUDE U.S. AND JAPANESE INVESTED FIRMS AS WELL AS CHINESE FIRMS, FROM LOW-COST JAPANESE IMPORTS. A FURTHER REASON IS TO HELP REDUCE THE ROC'S TRADE DEFICIT WITH THE JAPANESE.

(B) STATISTICS FOR THE IMPORT, PRODUCTION AND EXPORT OF THE ROC'S TV INDUSTRY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

ROC IMPORTS OF TV RECEIVERS#

	SETS (UNITS)	VALUE (US\$'000)
1973	116,541	\$9,299

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1974	151,332	12,184
1975 B/W	72,832	1,901
COLOR	12,241	2,096
1976 B/W	147,752	3,584
COLOR	8,195	1,491

TV IMPORTS WERE CLASSIFIED UNDER ONE CATEGORY UNTIL 1975 WHEN B/W AND COLOR TV'S WERE DIVIDED.

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ROC PRODUCTION OF TV RECEIVERS

	B/W SETS (UNITS)	COLOR SETS (UNITS)
1971	1,774,824	116,962
1972	3,397,037	193,715
1973	4,202,276	339,679
1974	3,617,751	418,453
1975	2,599,310	335,661
1976	3,326,432	523,614

SOURCE: TAIWAN ECONOMIC STATISTICS, EPC

ROC EXPORTS OF TV RECEIVERS

TOTAL SETS (UNITS)	US\$ VALUE	B/W (UNITS)	US\$ VALUE	COLOR (UNITS)	US\$ VALUE '000
1971	1,602,001	\$84,653	1,494,769	\$69,323	107,232 \$15,330
1972	3,175,807	177,587	2,926,477	141,614	249,330 35,974
1973	3,924,852	234,517	3,633,927	191,135	290,935 43,381
1974	4,051,582	275,311	3,849,167	241,905	212,415 33,407
1975	2,517,633	160,877	2,433,899	146,535	83,734 14,342
1976	3,487,101	215,486	3,250,509	175,780	236,592 39,707

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MAJOR EXPORT MARKETS

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COUNTRY	SETS	\$ VALUE	US\$'000	PERCENT SHARE BY VOLUMES
1972 USA	2,942,562	\$168,851	92	
CANADA	104,615	5,088	3	
NETHERLAND	70,619	1,765	2	
1973 USA	3,567,760	93,888	91	
CANADA	117,053	3,080	3	
PANAMA	35,131	924	1	
1974 USA	3,623,816	95,364	89	
CANADA	140,228	3,690	3	
PANAMA	55,150	1,451	1	
JAPAN	54,465	1,433	1	

	B/W	COLOR	B/W	COLOR
1975 USA	1,997,629	68,505	\$123,237	\$11,752 82
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	98,750	-	5,259	- 4
NETHERLAND				

74,549 9,000 3,784 220 3

CANADA 62,720 7,939 3,545 1,331 3

1976 - MARKET STATISTICS NOT YET AVAILABLE

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